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Following is Cuban portion Khrushchev statement to Khrushchev
October 24. Knob has so far accepted Department's advice not
to reveal substance conversation to press. It being closely
held here.

Khrushchev said except in wartime, blockades illegal. If US stopped and searched Soviet ships, this would be piracy. Khrushchev repeated several times Soviet ships unarmed, some may turn around and some may be stopped; sooner or later USSR would send its subs to sink ships stopping Soviet ships. US now unable take over Cuba. Khrushchev stated specifically that USSR had anti-aircraft missiles in Cuba as well as ballistic missiles, latter with both conventional and nuclear warheads. All sophisticated weapons under 100% Soviet control. They would be fired only in defense Cuba and then only on personal instruction Khrushchev as Commander-in-Chief Soviet Armed Forces.

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If US did not believe this, it should attack Cuba and would find out. Guantanamo would disappear first day.

Khrushchev would like talk with President. He had planned attend UN this fall, but UN is not place for negotiating. Would be delighted meet President anywhere.

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